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# Finding Maturity

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# Finding Maturity?

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**M**aturity means growing up, getting older, settling in, and fully developing. Is distance education mature? Some think that a being mature means you can do what you want; others think it means doing what we should. Age does not determine maturity;

maturity is knowing limitations and making the best of things. Is distance education a mature field, or is the field in its teen years—thinking mature but acting adolescent.

*And finally*, growing up still means you can have fun, and even be silly.